AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (Original): A polarizing plate comprising a polymer film, a polarizer, a polymer substrate, and an optically anisotropic layer comprising a liquid crystal compound, laminated in this order, wherein the polarizer has a thickness of 10 to 25 μm.

Claim 2 (Original): The polarizing plate as claimed in claim 1, wherein the polymer substrate has a thickness of 30 to 70 μm.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The [[A]] polarizing plate late as claimed in claim 1, wherein the polarizer has a thickness of 10 to 20 μm.

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): The polarizing plate as claimed in claim 1, wherein the polymer comprises cellulose acetate.

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): The polarizing plate as claimed in claim 1, wherein the polymer substrate comprises cellulose acetate.

Claim 6 (Previously Presented): The polarizing plate as claimed in claim 1, wherein the liquid crystal compound used in the optical anisotropic layer is a discotic liquid crystal compound, the plane of the discotic structural units is inclined relative to the surface of the

polymer substrate, and the angle between the plane of the discotic structural units and the surface of the polymer substrate changes in the direction of the depth of the optically anisotropic layer.

Claim 7 (Original): A liquid crystal display comprising a liquid crystal cell, and two polarizing plates placed on both faces of the liquid crystal cell, wherein at least one of the polarizing plates is the polarizing plate as claimed in claim 1.

Claim 8 (Original): The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 7, wherein the liquid crystal cell is of an OCB mode, a VA mode, or a TN mode.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): A polarizing plate comprising a protective film, a polarizer, and a poly film substrate, laminated in this order, wherein the polarizer has a thickness of 10 to 25 µm, and the polymer film has a Re retardation value defined by the following formula (I) [[is]] in a range of 20 to 70 nm, a Rth retardation value defined by the following formula (II) [[is]] in a range of 70 to 400 nm:

$$Re=(nx-ny)\times d \qquad (I)$$

$$Rth=[(nx+ny)/2-nz]\times d \qquad (II)$$

wherein nx and ny are refractive indexes of a slow axis and a fast axis in plane of the polymer film substrate, and nz is a refractive index of a thickness direction of the polymer film substrate.